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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the third paragraph on Page 2 of the patent application as follows:

This object is achieved according to the invention, which provides, in one aspect, an electromagnetic field deflecting garment, comprising:

a conducting fabric edged with a lattice fabric;

an electronic circuit operably interconnected to said conducting fabric and said lattice fabric to form a closed circuit, wherein said electronic circuit is operable to dispel an electromagnetic signal received at said garment through a Joule effect.

DESCRIPTIONELECTROMAGNETIC FIELD DEFLECTING GARMENT

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The present invention concerns a garment capable of deflecting electromagnetic fields arising from outside sources.

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At present there are no examples in the clothing field of garments that deflect 5 electromagnetic fields.

The need to produce this type of garment has arisen recently precisely because the quantity of electromagnetic waves to which the human body is exposed has risen considerably.

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In the home environment we are continually bombarded by electromagnetic fields originating from radio transmitters and receivers that propagate waves in the radiofrequency range, from liquid crystal displays of various items of electronic equipment and above all phosphorus screens of televisions that transmit electromagnetic 15 waves at a frequency concentrated around 900 GHz.

In the working environment we are often obliged to stay constantly in front of the monitor of a computer which, like a television set, transmits electromagnetic waves at a frequency around 900 GHz.

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Outdoors it often happens that we pass near high voltage power cables and these too give off electromagnetic waves. Furthermore, there has recently been a strong development of the GSM cellular telephone network resulting in a considerable spread in the use of cellular telephones and these also emit electromagnetic waves around a frequency of 15 25 GHz.

Recent medical studies have ascertained that any charge of an electrical or electromagnetic nature that is absorbed the human body impairs the cellular balance of the chondrioma. The chondrioma is a cellular structure formed by the chondriosomes 30 which are cytoplasmic bodies in the form of granules, filaments and rods thought to be responsible for a major part of cell physiology.

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The human body initially reacts by compensating for the cellular imbalances in the chondrioma caused by electromagnetic radiation, but in the long term these imbalances are no longer compensated and this causes poor cell physiology with consequent harmful effects on human health.

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The object of the invention is to prevent such problems, providing a garment that is simple to make.

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This object is achieved according to the invention, with the characteristics listed in the
10 appended independent claim 1.

Preferred embodiments of the invention appear from the dependent claims.

The garment according to the invention is made by means of a lattice-pattern conductive
15 fabric connected to an electronic circuit. Said conductive fabric absorbs the electromagnetic fields and directs them towards the electronic circuit where they are dissipated through the Joule effect. The garment can act as a sort of Faraday cage discharging the electromagnetic signal to ground. The ground must obviously be understood as a virtual ground, since grounding of the circuit is achieved by means of a
20 connection thereof to a cord of conductive material, acting as a ground plate.

Any parallel resonator characterized by a high cutting frequency so as to act as a low-pass filter and cut off all the signals at a frequency above said cutting frequency can be used as the electronic circuit.

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It is possible to connect a micro-amperometer to the circuit capable of providing a measurement of the electromagnetic field present in whatever point the user happens to be. The user thus knows when his garment is absorbing and deflecting an electromagnetic field and knows the magnitude of said field.

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Said garment is particularly useful for users who spend long periods in front of a television screen or who for reasons of work are subjected to the radiation of a computer monitor.

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Furthermore the garment according to the invention can have a pocket especially for holding a cellular telephone so as to protect the user from the magnetic fields given off by said telephones.

5 Further characteristics of the invention will be made clearer by the detailed description that follows, referring to a purely exemplary and therefore non-limiting embodiment thereof, illustrated in the appended drawings, in which:

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Figure 1 shows a plan view of a jacket according to the invention;

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Figure 2 shows a plan view of the jacket in Figure 1 open;

Figure 3 shows a plan view of a detail of a fabric of the jacket in Figure 1;

15 Figure 4 shows a plan view of a detail of the edging weave of the jacket in Figure 1;

Figure 5 shows the electrical diagram of an electronic circuit according to the invention;

Figure 6 shows a phase diagram and a diagram of the voltage gain according to the
20 frequency of the electronic circuit in Figure 5;

Figure 7 shows an axonometric view of a further embodiment of the invention.

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The garment according to the invention is described with the aid of the figures.

Reference is made purely by way of example to a magnetic field deflecting jacket 1, consisting of dry, conductive knitted fabric 2. Filaments 3 of conductive material which can preferably be tungsten and carbon are woven parallel into the weave of said fabric 2. Said filaments 2 are able to conduct the electromagnetic fields that gather on the jacket 1.

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The jacket 1 is edged around the perimeter with a crisscrossed lattice fabric 4. The fabric 4 has crisscrossed lattice filaments 5. The filaments 5 must be made of conductive material, preferably tungsten and carbon. The crisscrossed lattice fabric 4 is disposed on the edge of the jacket 1 and is folded over, being made of a thicker and closer weave than
35 fabric 2 and serves to close the conductive circuit that has been created in the jacket 1.

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The jacket 1 can also be covered with a non-conductive material at said edging; purely by way of example velvet can be used as the covering material for the edging. The jacket 1 can be made in a single block or can have closing means such as buttons 6 or zips.

5 A pocket 7 made of conductive fabric can be made on the inside or on the outside of the jacket 1. Said pocket 7 can preferably be of such a size as to contain a mobile telephone 8 according to the shapes and size most commonly used commercially or any other object of a similar size.

10 An electronic circuit 10 is positioned in a special housing 9 that can be made inside the jacket 1 so that the circuit 10 is hidden. The circuit 10 is connected by means of a conductor wire 11 to the edging fabric 5 of the jacket 1. Grounding of the circuit is obtained by means of a cord 12 made of conducting material, preferably copper. The cord 12 is made to hang from the jacket 1, so as to be able to discharge the electromagnetic
15 field present on the jacket 1.

The electronic circuit 10 can be any parallel resonator circuit with a specific cutting frequency and resonance frequency. Said circuit 10 must be able to disperse the electromagnetic signal coming from the jacket 1 through a Joule effect and must be able
20 to cut off the signals above its cutting frequency.

Figure 5 shows a possible embodiment of the electrical diagram of the circuit 10. A coupling capacitance 13 is positioned between the edging fabric 4 and the parallel resonator circuit. The parallel resonator consists of the connection in parallel of an
25 inductance 14, two capacitances 15, 17 and a resistance 19. The two capacitances 15 and 17 are decoupled by means of a diode 16 for stabilization of the supply to the circuit 10. A micro-amperometer 18 is connected between the capacitance 17 and the resistance 19.

Said micro-amperometer 18, more or less the size of a wrist watch, can be digital or
30 analogic and is positioned in a special housing 21 made in the outer part of the jacket so as to be visible to the user, and is connected to the electronic circuit 10 by means of connecting cables 20. The user can thus read the intensity of the electromagnetic field absorbed by the jacket 1 at any time.

35 The resistance 19 must preferably be chosen with a very high value, about $2\text{ M}\Omega$, in order to be able to disperse the electromagnetic signal coming from the jacket through a

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Joule effect. The power dispersed by said resistance 19 is in the order of nano Joules. This leads to a minimal increase in temperature, quantifiable as about half a degree centigrade.

5 The coupling capacitance 13 can be chosen with a value of about 100 pF. The capacitances 15, 17 of the resonator can be chosen respectively with a value of 20 pF and 10 μ F, so that their parallel gives a capacitance of about 20 pF. For the stabilizing diode 16 a commercially available model 1N32A can be used. The inductance 14 of the parallel resonator can be chosen with a value of 10 μ H.

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In Figure 6 a phase diagram of the circuit according to the frequency and a diagram of the voltage gain according to the frequency are shown. Said diagrams are obtained as the output taken on the resistance 19 when a sinusoidal signal with a frequency of 1 kHz is given as the input to the circuit. From the phase diagram two changes of phase can be 15 noted, with a phase shift of 90° around 10 Hz and a phase shift of 180° around 7 MHz.

From the voltage gain diagram we see a peak around 7 MHz, the frequency that corresponds to the cutting frequency of the circuit. Below this cutting frequency of the circuit the signals coming from the jacket 1 are filtered.

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Figure 7 shows a further embodiment of the invention represented by a hat made of the knitted conducting fabric 2 and an edging made of the conducting lattice fabric 4. The electronic circuit 10 connected by means of the conducting wire 11 to the edging of the hat is positioned inside said hat. A cord 12 hangs from said circuit and acts as the ground.

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This embodiment is particularly effective in the case of use of cellular telephones. In fact by wearing the hat according to the invention while communicating with the cellular telephone near the ear, the electromagnetic fields coming from the phone are deflected.

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